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In re: ALLAN et al.  
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A-68146/MAK/LM, and under obligation of assignment to ReceiptCity.com of  
San Jose, California.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows. All claims, whether or not  
amended, are included for the convenience of the Examiner:

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*Sub 2*

1. (Once Amended Herein) A method for storing and  
retrieving electronic records, [said] the method comprising:  
creating a transaction at a merchant by buying [a good or  
service] one of a goods and service;  
authorizing the transaction with an electronic signature; and  
forwarding an electronic record [with details of said] of the  
transaction, including the electronic signature and a text  
description of a line item, to an electronic-record repository[;  
retrieving a copy of said electronic record from said  
electronic-record repository over an internet].

2. Please cancel claim 2.

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3. (Once Amended Herein) The method of claim [2 wherein  
said step of forwarding comprises] 1, further comprising the step of  
forwarding [said] to the electronic-record repository an  
electronic record [to an electronic-record repository containing an

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1 electronic record with details] of a transaction created at a  
2 business other than [said] the merchant.

1 4. (Once Amended Herein) The method of claim 1 wherein  
2 [said] the step of creating comprises  
3 creating [a] the transaction by buying from a virtual  
4 [business] merchant.

5.-8. Please cancel claims 5-8.

9. (Once Amended Herein) The method of claim 1, [wherein  
said step of retrieving comprises] further comprising the steps of  
generating a paper receipt for the transaction; and  
retrieving a [copy of said electronic record] replica of the  
paper transaction receipt from [said] the electronic-record  
repository over an internet [using internet-enabled software].

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1 10. (Once Amended Herein) The method of claim [9, wherein  
2 said step of retrieving comprises] 1, further comprising the step of  
3 [retrieving a copy of said electronic record from said  
4 electronic-record repository over an internet using a web browser]  
5 generating a receipt for the transaction from the electronic record  
6 forwarded to the electronic-record repository.

1 11. (Once Amended Herein) The method of claim [9, wherein  
2 said step of retrieving comprises] 1, further comprising the step of

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1 retrieving a copy of [said] the electronic record from [a web  
2 site using a web browser] the electronic-record repository over an  
3 internet.

12. Please cancel claim 12.

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1 *SUB 35* 13. (Once Amended Herein) The method of claim 1, [wherein  
2 before said step of retrieving, the following step is performed:] further  
3 comprising the step of  
4 [searching] offering a search of the electronic-record  
5 repository for [said] the electronic record [on said electronic-  
6 record repository over an internet].

1 14. (Once Amended Herein) The method of claim 13 [1],  
2 wherein [said] the step of [creating] offering comprises  
3 [buying from a merchant and  
4 wherein said step of retrieving is performed on behalf of said merchant]  
5 offering a search of the repository by text line-item  
6 description.

15. Please cancel claims 15-20.

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1 *SUB 36* 21. (Once Amended Herein) The method of claim 1, [wherein  
2 said step of retrieving comprises] further comprising the step of  
3 one of downloading, printing, faxing and e-mailing a copy of  
4 [said] the electronic record from the electronic-record repository.

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1 22. (Once Amended Herein) The method of claim 11 [1],  
2 further comprising the step of  
3 then using [said] the retrieved electronic record as proof of  
4 [said] the transaction.

1 23. (Once Amended Herein) The method of claim 22 wherein  
2 [said] the step of using comprises  
3 then using [said] the electronic record as proof of [said] the  
4 transaction in order to dispute an alternative record of [said] the  
5 transaction.

1 24. (Once Amended Herein) The method of claim 22 wherein  
2 [said] the step of using comprises  
3 then using [said] the electronic record as proof of [said] the  
4 transaction in order to return [said good] the bought goods or  
5 service.

1 25. (Once Amended Herein) The method of claim 22 wherein  
2 [said] the step of using comprises  
3 then using [said] the electronic record as proof of [said] the  
4 transaction in order to exchange [said good] the bought goods or  
5 service.

1 26. (Once Amended Herein) The method of claim 22 wherein  
2 [said] the step of using comprises  
3 then using [said] the electronic record to file a warranty  
4 claim with respect to [said good] the bought goods or service.

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1 27. (Once Amended Herein) The method of claim 1, further  
2 comprising the step of  
3 viewing [said] the electronic record, including the electronic  
4 signature.

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28. Please cancel claim 28.

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1 *213* 29. (Once Amended Herein) A method for storing and  
2 *32* retrieving electronic records, [said] the method comprising:  
3 creating a transaction at a merchant by buying [a good or  
4 service from a physically extant merchant] one of a goods and service  
5 from a virtual merchant;  
6 authorizing the transaction with an electronic signature;  
7 forwarding an electronic record [with details of said  
8 transaction, said details including one of date, time, amount,  
9 merchant identification, merchant's store identification, merchant's  
10 store cash-register identification, merchant's cashier  
11 identification, payment type, payment card number, payment-card  
12 expiration date, line items, line-item prices, transaction total,  
13 transaction keys, transaction type and], including the electronic  
14 signature and a text description of a line item to an electronic-  
15 record repository;  
16 [containing] forwarding to the electronic-record repository an  
17 electronic record [with details] of a transaction created at a  
18 business other than [said] the merchant;

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19 [using a web browser to log onto a web site hosting said  
20 electronic-record repository;]  
21 then [searching] offering a search of the electronic-record  
22 repository by text line-item description for [said] the electronic  
23 record [on said electronic-record repository over an internet];  
24 [using a web browser to retrieve a copy of said electronic  
25 record from said website on behalf of one of the following: said  
26 buyer, said merchant or a third party to said transaction and]  
27 retrieving a copy of the electronic record from the electronic-  
28 record repository over an internet;  
29 performing one of downloading, printing, faxing and e-mailing a  
30 copy of [said] the electronic record; and  
31 then using [said] the electronic record as proof of [said] the  
32 transaction in order to do one of the following:  
33 dispute an alternative record of [said] the  
34 transaction [or];  
35 return [or] the bought goods or service; and  
36 exchange [said good] the goods or service.

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38 Please add new claims 30-31 as follows:

1 Sub 30. (New) The method of claim 9, further comprising the step  
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3 then using the replica as proof of the transaction.

1 31. (New) The method of claim 10, further comprising the step  
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